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# REPORT

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TO: The Honorable Chair and  
Members of the Rules Committee  
For the Meeting of June 20, 1994

DATE:

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June 10, 1994

FROM: Charles G. Abdelnour, City Clerk

REPORT NO.: 94-02

SUBJECT: CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES FOR CITY ADVISORY BOARDS

At the Rules Committee meeting on May 9, 1994, we were directed to review and make recommendations on which City advisory boards should have Conflict of Interest Codes requiring their members to file Statements of Economic Interests.

The City Clerk, City Attorney and City Manager have reviewed the functions of all City advisory boards currently required by Council Resolution to file Statements of Economic Interests. We have grouped them into three categories. We recommend that members on the boards listed in categories A and B continue to file Statements of Economic Interest. The boards in these categories fall within the guidelines of state law regarding conflict of interest disclosure. It is our recommendation that those boards listed in Category C not have Conflict of Interest Codes requiring their members to file these statements. The reasons for our recommendations are noted below.

A. The following boards are either statutory filers under the Political Reform Act or have clear decision making authority and are thus required under state law to have Conflict of Interest Codes:

- Center City Development Corporation
- Civil Service Commission
- Convention Center Corporation, Inc.
- Data Processing Corporation Board of Directors
- Funds Commission
- Horton Plaza Theatres Foundation
- Housing Commission
- Housing Trust Fund
- Mid-City Development Corporation
- Planning Commission

Retirement System, City Employees Board of Administration  
San Diego Festivals (Inactive)  
San Ysidro Revitalization Corporation, Inc.  
Southeastern Economic Development Corporation  
Zoning Appeals, Board of

- B. The Political Reform Act requires that members of boards and commissions file Statements of Economic Interests when the board ... "makes substantive recommendations which are, and over an extended period of time have been, regularly approved without significant amendment or modification by another public official or governmental agency."

The following group of advisory boards make recommendations which are regularly approved by the City Council and for that reason should also have Conflict of Interest Codes and be required to file Statements of Economic Interests:

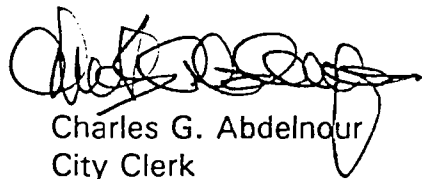
Appeals and Advisors, Board of (Buildings)  
Arts and Culture, Commission for  
Housing Advisory and Appeals Board  
Park and Recreation Board

- C. The following group of boards appear to be "solely advisory." They have no clear decision making authority, and their recommendations are not regularly adopted by the City Council. Therefore, we would recommend that they not be required to have Conflict of Interest Codes requiring their members to file Statements of Economic Interests:

Agricultural Board  
Binational Issues, Select Board on  
Citizens Equal Opportunity Commission  
Crest Canyon Park Reserve Advisory Committee  
Elections, Campaign and Governmental Ethics Advisory Board  
Grading Advisory Board  
Historical Site Board  
Human Relations Commission  
International Affairs Board  
La Jolla Shores Planned District Advisory Board  
La Jolla Underwater Park Advisory Committee  
Library Commissioners, Board of  
Local Assessment Committee  
Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve  
Mission Trails Regional Park Task Force  
Noise Abatement and Control, Board of  
Old Town San Diego Planned District Design Review Board

Police/Community Relations, Citizens Advisory Board  
Police Practices, Citizens' Review Board  
Public Utilities Advisory Commission, City  
Quality of Life Board  
Relocation Appeals Board  
Senior Citizens Advisory Board  
Small Business Advisory Board  
Tecolote Canyon Citizen Advisory Board  
Tecolote Canyon Natural Park Task Force  
Transportation Demand Management Appeals Board  
Waste Management Advisory Board  
Wetlands Advisory Board  
Women, The Commission on the Status of

In summary, of the advisory boards currently required by Council Resolution to have Conflict of Interest Codes, we would recommend that the thirty-one listed in Category C not be required to have codes and that their members not be required to file Statements of Economic Interests. They appear to be exempt from this requirement under state law.



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City Clerk

Note: There are four additional City Advisory Boards which are not included in this report. They are the Planetarium Authority Governing Board, San Diego Unified Port District, Stadium Authority Governing Board and the Water Authority Board. The County of San Diego administers these boards and their Conflict of Interest Codes.

cc: City Council  
City Manager  
City Attorney